

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

RICHARD ARMITAGE et al

CONT. OF  
Appln. No.: 08/249,189

Group Art Unit: 1644

Filed: May 28, 1999

Examiner: Gambel, P.

For: MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES TO CD40 LIGAND,  
PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION COMPRISING  
THE SAME AND HYBRIDOMAS PRODUCING THE  
SAME (As Amended)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

The Examiner is requested to note that the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were either brought to the Examiner's attention or cited by the Examiner or Applicants during prosecution of Parent Application No. 08/249,189, filed May 24, 1994, Grandparent Application No. 07/969,703, filed October 23, 1992, Great-Grandparent Application No. 07/805,723, filed December 5, 1991, and Great-Great-Grandparent Application



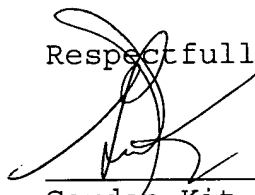
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No. 07/783,707, filed October 25, 1991. Hence, references copies are not being provided.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the three months from the application's filing date and the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicants do not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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